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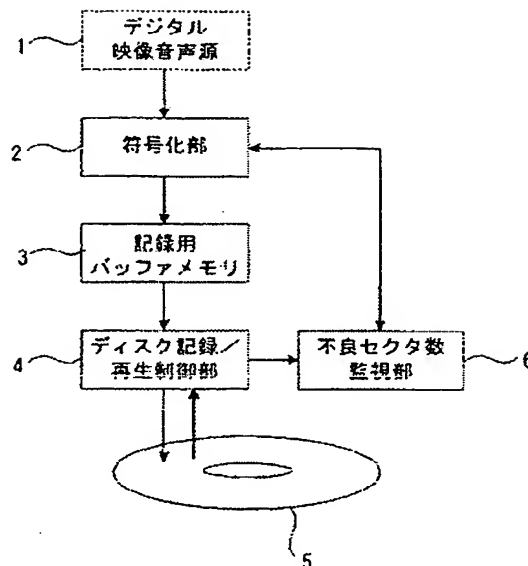
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TITLE : DATA RECORDER



ABSTRACT : **PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED:** To achieve continuous recording of data even when defective sectors are frequently detected from a disk-like recording medium such as an optical disk.

SOLUTION: The data recorder comprises an encoding means for compression-coding uncompressed digital data inputted thereto, recording buffer memory for temporarily storing the coded data outputted from the encoding means, a disk recording control means for recording the data outputted from the recording buffer memory, and the number of defective sectors monitoring means for monitoring the number of defective sectors in a unit time detected during the data recording operation, and when the count of the defective sectors in a unit time by the number of the defective sectors monitoring means is not less than a threshold, a bit rate of the compression-coding by the encoding means is reduced to continue the recording.

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